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THE WEATHER YESTERDAY. Local data for November 25: Highest temperature, 44 degrees; Lowest temperature, 35 degrees; Humidity, 88 per cent.

IN WOMAN'S REALM.

The 'Bachelors' ball has been definitely abandoned and great is the lamentation thereof among young matrons and maidens and their out-of-town friends, who look forward to this splendid annual affair from one season to the next.

One advantageous feature accompanies this new departure, and that is the change of time will thus give opportunity for our young people to attend the annual Assembly at Wilkes-Barre, a pleasure which heretofore they have been obliged to forego because of the clash of dates.

Many tickets have been sold and the program, which opens Friday morning at the Lyceum, will probably be well supplied by holders of these advance sales. That there will be good seats, however, to be secured for the patrons at both performances is certain.

A beautiful entertainment at the Lyceum this afternoon.

valuable Mittose terrier, two handsome Yorkshire terriers and two French poodles. The latest addition to the family pets is a baby monkey, which Mr. B. S. Johnson has just presented to little Margaret, the daughter of the house.

MEETING OF MUSICIANS.

They Transacted a Considerable Amount of Business.

The Musicians' Protective association met at their rooms, at 502 Cedar avenue, in adjourned session yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A large number of members was in attendance, and a considerable amount of unfinished business was completed.

The following committees were voted on and accepted for the ensuing year: Executive Board—Thomas Miles, Neil O'Donnell, Thomas Rennie, Fred Ehrhardt, William Schmitt, Richard O'Donnell, Scrantons, Joseph Davis, Olyphant, James Campbell, Moore, Edward Murphy, Taylor.

Delegates to the Central Labor Union—Mr. C. O. D., president; M. J. Cusick, William Tannier, Fred Ehrhardt, Andrew Hayes.

TROUBLE BETWEEN DUNN AND WORDEN

Cross Suits Between the Men Begun Before Aldermen Howe and Miller—Worden's Statement.

Alex Dunn, haberdasher, and E. G. Worden, architect, were the principals in two rather sensational libelous cases. Each caused the arrest of the other and both are now under bail for their appearance in court.

The first to be arrested was Mr. Dunn when Mr. Worden charged with making threats. The warrant was sworn out before Alderman Howe before whom Dunn was arraigned. Worden testified that Dunn had met him on Wyoming Avenue and threatened him, afterwards following him into Philip's drug store where he renewed the verbal attack. The alderman held Mr. Dunn in \$200 bail.

The latter went immediately to Alderman Miller's office where he swore out a warrant for Mr. Worden's arrest, charging him with obtaining \$10 worth of goods' furnishings under false pretenses. He alleged that Mr. Worden ordered the goods sent up C. O. D. and only paid part of the bill. Mr. Worden appeared with his attorney, John P. Seavage and, waiving a hearing, entered bail in the sum of \$500.

Mr. Worden last night gave the following statement concerning the matter: "It is unfortunate that this matter should have been taken into court but since it has been fitted almost to make an explanation of my connection with the matter and a refutation of the charge Mr. Dunn has brought against me. The whole affair started when Mrs. Dunn left her husband on September 2 last. Prior to that my wife had been giving her vocal lessons."

"Mrs. Dunn left her husband because of his treatment of her. He charges my wife and myself with filling her with lies about him but this is absolutely and entirely false. My wife nor I had nothing to do with her domestic affairs nor did we even tell her anything against Mr. Dunn or persuade her to leave him. She went of her own accord."

"She went to Boston, but we did not know this at first and were as much at sea regarding her whereabouts as was Mr. Dunn himself. He came to us and wanted us to assist him in getting her back again, promising that he would treat her right. We said we would assist him because we wanted to have no trouble with the man."

"He insisted that we knew where she was but we did not. My wife suggested that she might be in Wilkes-Barre, which was her former home, and he said he would pay all expenses if we would go there and get her to come back to him. We went there on two occasions but found no trace of her. When I suggested to Mr. Dunn that we should pay the expenses as he had promised, he told me to come into his store and get an equal amount of goods."

"This I did but he was not there at the time and I told the clerk to send them to C. O. D. Prior to that he said until Mr. Dunn arrived. I did this because I thought that when Mr. Dunn came in he would send them up as if they had been paid for. The goods went to my office several times and finally to my home, where they were taken by my wife."

"The goods were not exactly what I wanted and I was obliged to return them to him with the exception of some small articles, the value of which was insignificant. Instead of my being in Mr. Dunn's debt, he is in mine. There is absolutely no foundation for his charge of false pretenses."

"I was obliged to cause his arrest on Saturday because he threatened me on the street and because I was afraid that he would do something desperate. His arrest of me for false pretense was spite action."

MENTION OF MEN OF HOUR

P. J. RUANE ASKED TO BE THE CASHIER.

Deputy City Treasurer Wanted by the Proposed North Scranton Bank.

Dr. Claude Walker and His Preparation for His Life Work—M. B. Casey Chief Clerk for J. M. Daly. Hit Made by James Gardner Sanderson at the Dinner for Judge Kelly—Balentine the Wit.

Deputy City Treasurer P. J. Ruane is being discussed as the likely cashier of the proposed North Scranton bank. It is understood he has been invited to take the place but hesitates to leave the position in which he has served so long and successfully. It is to be hoped for the city's good that Mr. Ruane will continue in the treasurer's office. He has the city's financial affairs at his fingers' ends and when it comes to a question of nice financing in emergencies which often arise, his suggestions invariably prove of great value.

No legislation bearing on municipal or school district finances is projected without Mr. Ruane's advice first being sought, and it is quite safe to say that practically all such legislation now on the city's books would find him his father if it went to trace its actual parentage.

Mr. Ruane is also accredited with being one of the most expert accountants in the city. He can read a column of figures quite as readily as another could read a paragraph in a newspaper and he has the book-keeping of the office so systematized that with five minutes after the office closes the books are balanced and everything ready to be locked up for the night.

During the temporary absence from the Lackawanna hospital during election week of two of the resident house surgeons, a new face was seen at the institution. It was that of one of the younger physicians of the city, Dr. Claude Walker. During his short period of service, he made himself a thorough favorite with all connected with the hospital, and proved a valuable substitute for the absent surgeons.

Dr. Walker is a stepson of the well known local practitioner, Dr. C. L. Price, and during the last six years has been almost entirely self-taught in his studies at the University of Pennsylvania. His return has reintroduced him to his numerous friends, who unite in wishing him success in the career which he has fitted himself to pursue.

He has been well prepared for that profession at the University, which Pennsylvania can proudly regard as one of the finest medical institutions in the world. Prior to beginning his regular course, he took a two-year course in biology, beginning work in September, 1894. In the fall of 1895, he entered the medical school, and graduated last spring in the same class with Dr. John W. Hunter, junior house surgeon at the Lackawanna. During the summer he spent his time in pursuing a post graduate course at the Polytechnic at Philadelphia. At the University Dr. Walker was one of the most popular men in his class. He was a prominent member of the Huskies club, and a leading spirit among the dormitories.

Of the many men brought to the city by what has been termed the new regime of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, who has won for himself a warmer place in the regard of the persons who have business dealings with that company than M. B. Casey, the chief clerk to Superintendent of Transportation J. M. Daly. He is a well known face, and has information of all kinds pertaining to the transportation business and this information is always at the disposal of those to whom it is useful. Without hesitating a moment, he can tell you all about the roads a car will have to travel over in going from one station to the remotest part of the United States. Mr. Casey is a native of the Blue Grass region and possesses a dome of thought that resembles Tom Reed's. He has been in the railroad business for the greater part of his life and has made a study of it as he would of a science. He not only knows railroads and railroad methods, but he has an extensive acquaintance with prominent railroad men all over the country. Like every real railroad man, he enjoys a good story and knows how to tell one.

Not many of the members of the bar who attended the complimentary banquet to Judge Kelly at the Jermyn, Thursday night, were aware of the real treat in the way of high-class entertainment that was in store for them, as the concluding number of the programme. Like the hosts of old, the banquet committee reserved for the last what they very likely thought was the best, and there are those among the guests who will say, with all due deference to the other entertainers, that the committee was not much aglow in its reckoning if it did fashion its programme after the manner of the hosts of old.

James Gardner Sanderson made the biggest kind of a hit, and whenever the banquet was discussed during the evening.

HEADQUARTERS.

California Grapes and Pears, Malaga Pink Grapes, Florida and California Navel Oranges, Gordon and Dilworth's Mince Meat, Table Raisins, Jordau Almonds, Princess Paper Shell Almonds, Olives, pitted and stuffed. Pimento Olives. Full line fancy Cheese, Sweet Cider. Fresh Imported and Key West Cigars.

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succeeding days his contribution to the evening's fun was a foremost topic. Among his intimates, Mr. Sanderson's abilities as an entertainer are well known and in constant demand. To most of his newly-made brethren among the lawyers he was known only as a clever composer and raconteur of short stories. They did not know that in addition to his possessed powers of mimicry that would place him in the front rank of professionals, if he chose to go after fame and fortune by the stage route.

Most commendable of Mr. Sanderson in this regard is the fact that he is not only a successful mimic, but he hides his talent, except when it is fitting to bring them forth. Clarence Balentine is another young lawyer who made a hit as a ready wit at the Kelly banquet. Mr. Balentine was not on the programme, but when the post-prandial exercises were turned into a clover club affair, as is the custom of local lawyers' banquets, he came easily and gracefully to the "principal speaker of the evening."

MRS. BEVALACQUE COMMITTED TO JAIL

Woman Charged with the Murder of Mrs. Antonio Rose Held Without Bail—Theory of the Police.

Mrs. Josephine Bevalacque, who on Friday last deliberately murdered Mrs. Antonio Rose at 1236 Capouse avenue, was given a hearing before Mayor Moir on Saturday morning and at its conclusion was committed to the county jail without bail to await the action of the grand jury.

The accused woman was brought before the mayor with her little infant fast asleep in her arms. The stolid indifference which she displayed on Friday seemed to be all gone and she was all suffering great remorse. She was represented by Attorney Frank E. Boyle, who entered in her behalf a formal plea of not guilty.

The only witness examined was Annie Matosco, the eye-witness of the murder. She repeated the story she told at the coroner's inquest and described in detail the events leading up to the crime. She told of Mrs. Rose's visit and of how Mrs. Bevalacque came into the kitchen from the yard asking for some potatoes.

She told of the woman quarrelling and described having seen Mrs. Bevalacque suddenly pull a pistol from her jacket and fire at Mrs. Rose. The accused woman was committed by the mayor. She was taken immediately to the county jail where she is now located in the woman's ward. The child is still with her, but will probably be placed in some institution in a few days.

The police now believe that when Mrs. Bevalacque heard Mrs. Rose's voice down stairs she determined to go down and pick a quarrel with her and with this end in view armed herself with a revolver. They maintain that she asked for the potatoes merely as an excuse for entering the Marocco apartments and contend that the murder was undoubtedly premeditated. No Sherlock Holmes has as yet discovered whether there were any potatoes in Mrs. Bevalacque's jacket at the time.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Latter Day Saints Assembled in Snover's Hall.

The semi-annual conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints convened in Snover hall yesterday. The elders who have been laboring in the Eastern Pennsylvania conference, seventeen in number, were all present, also Apostle M. F. Cowley, of Utah, and President E. H. Snow, of the Eastern States mission. Services commenced at 2:30 p. m. and were presided over by Elder Joseph Platts more as an excuse for entering the Marocco apartments and contend that the murder was undoubtedly premeditated. No Sherlock Holmes has as yet discovered whether there were any potatoes in Mrs. Bevalacque's jacket at the time.

A MOST UNHEALTHY PLACE.

Sewage Said to Cover the Streets in Old Forge Borough.

Arbitrators Wedeman, Mulholland and Balentine heard testimony on Saturday in a suit brought by Lorenzo Semenza, of sudden tragedy, filed across the bluecoat's brain as he loosened his revolver, gripped his night stick and hurried up the flight of steps. He found two Italians, armed with 38-calibre revolvers, blazing aimlessly out of a rear window.

SHOTS WERE FIRED.

But No Blood Was Shed, and the Malefactors Were Arrested. About 10 o'clock last night Patrolman Loma Day heard the sound of several shots, fired in quick succession, from No. 25 Lackawanna avenue. Visions of sudden tragedy fled across the bluecoat's brain as he loosened his revolver, gripped his night stick and hurried up the flight of steps. He found two Italians, armed with 38-calibre revolvers, blazing aimlessly out of a rear window.

Scholarships. The combined scholarship (a contract entitling the holder to both complete courses), now offered by the Scranton Business College for \$100, is so liberal a contract that very many are purchasing it. This offer will soon be withdrawn.

Park & Tilford's Cigars. Yaranitza Cigars—Coursen. Ladies and children matinee to-day. Lyceum.

WORK COULD BE DONE CHEAPER

IF SEWER ESTIMATES WERE GUARANTEED.

That's What Councilman Keller Says He Believes That the City Should Agree to Pay Contractors Instead of Giving Them the "Amount Actually Collected"—Says That at Present Contractors Bid High Because of the Difficulty Met with in Negotiating Estimates.

As the result of remarks made at last Thursday night's meeting of the common council by Luther Keller, it is probable that some method will be devised in the near future by which the payment of city engineer's estimates furnished to sewer contractors may be guaranteed by the city.

As is well known all sewer contractors are paid by monthly estimates furnished by the city engineer. The latter estimates the amount of work done on the sewer within the month and the contractor is entitled to at contract price for that work. From this amount is subtracted the city's share of the cost and ten per cent. extra, which ten per cent. is retained until the entire sewer is completed.

This estimate is first approved by the city engineer and must then be approved by both councils and the mayor. It is then given to the contractor but is in the majority of instances, as Mr. Keller said, practically a worthless bit of paper, for the contractor is generally unable to negotiate it save at a ruinous rate of interest.

A RECENT CASE.

This means a great deal to a contractor who hasn't got very much capital and many of them have been often times reduced to very dire straits before they could obtain any money on their estimates. A recent illustration of this was the Gibbons case. M. J. Gibbons is the contractor for the Scranton street sewer and he was recently unable for a number of weeks to raise sufficient money on his estimates to even pay up his men.

The pay roll had run up to over \$3,000 and Mr. Gibbons was unable to raise any funds. After being besieged for a time by his employes he finally succeeded, after a great deal of difficulty, in borrowing money on his estimates but was obliged to discount them at six per cent.

Six per cent. means a very big hole in a man's profits especially when competition is so close as it is among sewer contractors just at present. Mr. Keller says that he is convinced that each and every sewer contractor who bids on work in this city adds from fifteen to twenty per cent. more on his bid than he would if the city guaranteed the estimates. This may be a little bit high but the general consensus of opinion is that a great deal of money could be saved if the city guaranteed the payment of the full face value of the estimates furnished by it.

It must be understood that the payment of these estimates is derived from the sewer assessments paid into the city treasurer's office by the property owners along the line of the sewer being constructed. All sewer ordinances contain a clause which reads, "The city shall use due diligence in collecting the assessments but shall only be liable for the amount collected."

CAN WHISTLE FOR IT.

That is to say, if the property owners do not all pay up and if by neglect the proper city officials fail to compel them to do so, the sewer contractor can whistle for just that much of his money. That is the reason he finds it hard to negotiate his estimates and that is why when he does negotiate them he can only do so at a high rate of interest.

Persons with money to loan won't make risks. They want to be absolutely sure of getting their money back and when they realize that the city only guarantees whatever money is collected in the shape of sewer assessments they insure themselves by discounting only at a liberal rate of interest.

Mr. Keller believes some plan should be devised whereby the city could place its guarantee on the estimates. "Then," said he, "they would be as good as gold and could be negotiated for their full face value." He says that it is done in Pittsburg and could be done in this city as well. Of course, if such a plan were put into effect, it would necessitate the greatest care in the collection of sewer assessments so that the city would not be out anything.

It is Mr. Keller's idea to have a special committee appointed from both branches of councils to carefully consider this question and report upon it with such recommendations as the members might see fit to suggest.

Something new at the Lyceum, matinee to-day.

Excursion to New York City. Ticket agents of the Lackawanna railroad will sell excursion tickets to New York City, good going on any regular train Dec. 6, return limit to and including Dec. 11, at rate of \$3.35.

Bring the ladies and children to the vaudeville matinee Lyceum to-day.

The Issues

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LAKE LODORE ICE PLANT.

Waters of Wayne County Will Be Utilized to Advantage.

A mammoth ice house, with a capacity of 25,000 tons, is being erected by the Lake Lodore Improvement company on the southeast side of Keene lake, in Wayne county. A branch railroad 1,700 feet long is also being constructed to connect the plant with the Homeville branch of the Delaware and Hudson railroad.

The building will be 262x150 feet, and will contain all the latest and best appliances for handling ice. There are 200 acres of water in Keene lake, which will yield 200,000 tons a foot thick at one cutting. Its attitude is 1,520 feet and several crops of ice can be gathered from the lake in one season.

The company also has 500 additional acres in Lake Lodore and Elk lake, which will be utilized during the winter. The ice will be shipped over the Delaware and Hudson road to this city and other points.

High class vaudeville matinee to-day. Lyceum.

Costs Little. Young men should realize that it costs less to spend their evenings at the Scranton Business College night school than it does to spend them on the street.

Matinee at the Lyceum to-day, great programme.

Physical Culture. Miss Mickle will open two new classes next week. Ladies' class, Tuesday and Friday at 10. Little girls, 5 to 8 years, Saturday afternoon at 3.

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